

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Board Meeting
Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia
January 15, 2010
Professional Licensing Boards - 237 Coliseum Drive - Macon, GA 31217
10:05 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Kay Royal, President
Dr. R. Whitman Lord, Vice President
Dr. H. Kemp Jones
Dr. Dudley Christie
Dr. Robert McCullough

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General
Anita Martin, Executive Director
Carol White, Board Support Specialist

President Kay Royal established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – 10:00 a.m.

The Public Hearing was held at 10:15 a.m. for Board Rule 430-2-.04(5).
There were no Public responses concerning Board Rule 430-2-.04(5).
The Public Hearing was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Approval of minutes from the November 20, 2009 Conference Call Board meeting. Dr. Jones made a motion to approve the Board minutes. Dr. Lord seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

Licenses to ratify. Dr. Lord made a motion to approve. Dr. Christie seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Consideration of Board Rule 430-2-.04(5). Dr. Jones made a motion to adopt Board Rule 430-2-.04(5). Dr. Lord seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rule Waiver request from Ingrid Whitbourne-Cooke regarding Board Rule 430-2-.04(a)(b)(c)(d). Dr. Jones made a motion to deny the rule waiver request. Dr. Lord seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Approval of minutes from the December 29, 2009 Conference Call Board meeting. Dr. Jones made a motion to approve. Dr. Christie seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Lord nominated, Dr. Royal seconded and the motion was unanimous for the 2010 slate of officers as follows;

Dr. Jones – President and Co-Cognizant

Dr. Christie – Vice President and Cognizant

Dr. Lord will act as the CE Reviewer with Dr. McCullough as Co-CE Reviewer

Executive Director Anita Martin shared with the Board that 1279 licensees have renewed, 5 applicants were on hold and 145 have not yet attempted renewal. Ms. Martin also shared a card received from Assistant Attorney Wylencia Moore. The Board viewed an e-mail from Dr. Sharpton as informational.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board conducted an audit of Renewal Applicants.

Cognizant Report/Investigative Reports. Dr. Lord made a motion to approve the Cognizant Report/Investigative Report. Dr. Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

OPT090007 – Close with verification of CE hours for 2008/2009

OPT090019 – Close

OPT100012 – Close against Dr. S. and schedule an Investigative Interview with Dr. B.

OPT100006 – Accept a Cease & Desist Order on Dr. Michael Acker, II. Open new case on V.D.R.A. & schedule for Investigative Interview.

Executive Director Martin presented the Board for acceptance a signed Public Consent Order on Lewis Steinfeld, O.D. for 18 hours CE, \$500.00 fine and \$200.00 administrative costs.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Kay Royal, President
Georgia State Board of Optometry

Date

Anita Martin, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Date